Needham Youth Services

Board of Director Meeting Notes

January 9, 2013

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 12/12/2012; January Department Report; "QPR" Evaluation Compilation; "A Conversation..." program evaluation compilation; and seventeen (17) newspaper articles.

• Guest: Christopher Coleman, Assistant Town Manager

Christopher Coleman noted his appreciation of the Youth Services staff as well as discussing matters related to youth (e.g. alcohol sales in town and the new marijuana laws). Additionally, town issues such as land acquisitions, capital projects, and the fiscal forecast were discussed.

Accepted Minutes of 12/12/2012

• FY 2014 Update

Discussed upcoming meeting with the FinCom Liaison as well as with the full committee (1/30).

• Community Focus Discussion

Discussed the shooting in Connecticut and the impact upon Needham.

• Programs and Services Updates

- o A Conversation Update; next session will focus upon stress, depression, and suicide.
- o Babysitter Training Seminars; January training is sold out.
- o Winter Brochure is out in hard copy and online; registration began on 1/2/2013.
- o Update on VIP Program; going well.
- Programs being scheduled now: Hillside School Groups, Safe Surf Program at High Rock, and Loss and Teen Dating Violence at Needham High School.
- Update on Peer Tutor Program; going well.
- o Update on Resource Network; continuing to grow and be a helpful resource.
- o Update on Make A Statement Day; planning for March event.
- o Update on Forde Award Ceremony planned for 1/18.
- Upcoming Presentations: Needham High School Parenting Conference; Temple Beth Shalom; Temple Beth Elohim, Mitchell PTC, and others.
- o Update on Summer Internship Program and Clinical Internship Program 2013/2014.
- o Update on Town Hall Committee looking to enhance fun/interact among employees.

• New/Old Business:

The annual staff/Board retreat will be held in March meeting at the Community Council.

• Next Meeting:

February 13, 2013 at 5:30pm at Needham Town Hall (Highland Room Meeting Room).

Adjourn

Members Present: Debbie Winnick Karen Folb, Allison Berger, David Bookston, Justin Jones, Susan

Patkin, Vin Springer, Julie Stevens

Staff Present: Jon Mattleman, Michelle Butman, Katy Colthart

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